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NATIONAL BROILER MARKET-AT-A-GLANCE

Trade sentiment was steady in all areas. Retail and food service demand was light to instances moderate, at times better into fast food channels. Supplies of all sizes were at least sufficient to handle trade needs. Floor stocks were in a full range. In the parts structure, demand was fair to moderate for midweek trading. Breast items adequate to well cleared, and wings were available. Dark meat was in good balance to short with drums in the closest balance. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were mixed, but mostly desirable.

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES The Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for next week's trading advanced .25 cents to 78.75 cents based on full truck load lots of ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds. This compares to 67.50 cents last year on April 26, 2006.

Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted prices on ice-packed parts for next week's trading.

ITEM	DOCK PRICE (CENTS PER POUND)
LINE RUN TENDERS	217.00
BREASTS - B/S	180.50
BREASTS - WHOLE	109.00
THIGH MEAT - B/S	111.50
LEG QUARTERS	44.50
WINGS	140.00

This information is supplied by the Georgia Department of Agriculture's Poultry Market News Service.

SOUTHERN REGION Trade sentiment was generally steady. Retail demand was light to fair with some optimism for next week's first of the month. Food service demand was fair to moderate, best for active fast food promotions. Supplies of all sizes were usually sufficient to satisfy trade needs. In the parts structure, demand was light to moderate for mid-week trading. Breast items were balanced to close, wings were available, and dark meat was adequate to well cleared. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

NORTHEAST REGION Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers was light to fair for midweek trading. Offerings of all sizes were at least sufficient for current needs. Retail and distributive movement was light and unaggressive. The market tone was generally steady. In the parts complex, breasts items were adequate to well cleared. The balance of items was mostly adequate with the exception of drums which were in good balance to instances tight.

MIDWEST REGION Whole bird offerings were fully sufficient on a continued steady market tone. Interest in additional product was limited as retail and food service movement remained light for the most part. Intermittent increased catering and fast food promotions provided moderate to fairly good demand in a few locations in the Ohio and St. Louis areas. Floor stocks were in a full range; weights desirable. Parts supplies were available to in close balance with boneless/skinless breast and thighs in longest position. The market tone was mostly steady with boneless/skinless breast undertone barely steady and dark meat cuts steady to firm.

WESTERN REGION The market tone was steady. Offerings in fair balance. Retailer demand light to moderate. Floor stocks adequate.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET IN 19 SELECTED STATES UP 4 PERCENT

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 221 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 21, 2007. This was up 4 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

BROILER CHICKS PLACED UP 1 PERCENT

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 178 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 21, 2007. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative placements from December 31, 2006 through April 21, 2007 were 2.78 billion, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.

BROILER-TYPE EGGS SET AND BROILER CHICKS PLACED TOTAL 19 SELECTED STATES

	WEEK ENDING 04/21/07	2007	2006	PERCENT CHANGE PREVIOUS YEAR
EGGS SET	220,669	212,327		+04
CHICKS PLACED	177,553	175,809		+01

Source: NASS, USDA

WEEKLY FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 02-Jun-07 is estimated at 163.2 million head. This compares to 162.7 million head the previous week and to 163.1 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 144.6 million head and the composite weighted average price was 64.06 cents per pound.

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SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS

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F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

POUNDS					WTD	POUNDS					WTD	
ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG		ITEM	(000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	AVG		
BREAST - B/S	635	162.00-239.00	-	173.17		BREAST - B/S	620	153.00-225.00	-	169.89		
TENDERLOINS	195	185.00-245.00	-	194.87		TENDERLOINS	212	182.00-235.00	-	194.59		
BREAST - LINE RUN	105	95.00-111.00	100-105	103.71		BREAST - LINE RUN	TOO FEW TO REPORT					
FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT					FRONT HALVES	TOO FEW TO REPORT					
LEGS	190	55.00-63.00	58-59	58.79		LEGS	190	57.00-62.00	59	59.08		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	699	38.00-44.00	41-42	41.71		LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	685	40.00-44.00	41-42	41.72		
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	255	40.00-45.00	44-45	44.20		LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	1,045	42.00-47.00	44-45	44.71		
WINGS (WHOLE)	245	105.00-135.00	-	122.55		WINGS (WHOLE)	295	105.00-135.00	120-125	122.97		
WINGS (CUT)	175	130.00-151.00	-	134.09		WINGS (CUT)	300	129.00-151.00	130-136	136.20		
DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT					DRUMSTICKS	TOO FEW TO REPORT					
THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT					THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT					
B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT					B/S THIGHS	TOO FEW TO REPORT					
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WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS TRADING FOR — F.O.B. DOCK.												
RANGE					TODAY'S AVERAGE	RANGE					TODAY'S AVERAGE	
67.00 - 72.50					69.86	68.00 - 72.00					69.79	
											5-DAY AVERAGE	
											69.76	

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS

Trucklot buying interest continued fair to moderate during midweek trading. Supplies of breasts items were adequate to well cleared; tenders were more than sufficient for current needs. Wings and most dark meat cuts were clearing satisfactorily. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to moderate at best. The market tone was at least steady to fully steady for bone-in breasts; mostly steady on the balance of items.

*ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND.

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ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	180	174.18	696,892
TENDERLOINS	195-200	194.03	217,860
BREAST - WITH RIBS	104-105	110.08	113,160
BREAST - LINE RUN	104	106.76	82,800
LEGS	58-59	60.12	202,640
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	44-45	41.84	344,560
DRUMSTICKS	51-52	57.78	75,240
THIGHS	52-53	57.17	99,280
B/S THIGHS	110-111	110.59	79,960
WINGS (WHOLE)	130-131	127.83	163,240
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.00	16,640
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	36.19	13,480
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	43.82	24,600

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ITEM	CURRENT NEG TRADING*	WTD AVG**	VOL/LBS
BREAST - B/S	180	173.33	556,352
TENDERLOINS	195-200	193.91	108,120
BREAST - WITH RIBS	104-105	115.17	56,920
BREAST - LINE RUN	104	106.70	84,600
LEGS	58-59	60.05	173,440
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	44-45	45.51	212,560
DRUMSTICKS	51-52	58.12	80,920
THIGHS	52-53	59.71	55,800
B/S THIGHS	110-111	111.81	55,280
WINGS (WHOLE)	130-131	126.63	194,400
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.34	23,840
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	35-40	38.94	4,440
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	40-45	44.35	15,560

INCLUDES: NY CITY METRO. AREA, RI, NORTHERN NJ, MA, CT, PA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATED (1,000)	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS	ACTUAL (1,000)	AVG WTS
	04/25	04/24	04/23	04/20	04/18
Alabama	4,027	3,963	3,852	3,610	5.58
Arkansas	4,967	5,175	4,996	4,505	5.34
Delmarva	2,226	2,235	2,210	2,144	5.84
KY-LA-TN	2,354	2,370	2,328	2,079	5.25
Mississippi	3,085	3,052	2,843	2,761	5.63
N Carolina	2,752	2,772	2,623	2,852	7.06
Texas	2,470	2,466	2,440	2,395	5.32
Total	21,881	22,033	21,292	20,346	5.67
Mon-Wed	65,479(A)				5.48

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	92-102
ROASTERS 4# & UP	109-118
HENS UNDER 5#	-
HENS OVER 5#	65-74
DUCKS	-
RABBITS-WHOLE	-
RABBITS-CUT UP	-

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK	105-110
	DRY PACK	110-124
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK	98
	DRY PACK	111-118
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK	86-100
	DRY PACK	100-107
DUCKS		185-195

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 25-Apr-07 is estimated to be 32,736,000 head up 1.12 percent from a week ago and up 2.06 percent from a year ago. (Last week 32,372,000, last year 32,074,000)

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 28-Apr-07

	CURRENT WEEK	PREVIOUS WEEK
	04/28/07 (1)	04/21/07
CLASS	THOUSAND HEAD	
Broiler/fryer	162,674 (2)	163,894
Light hens	1,293	1,315
Heavy hens	1,393	1,397
Total	165,360	166,606

(1)ESTIMATED (2)The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 28-Apr-07 is 164.3 million head compared to 169.2 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 163.0 million head or 1.3 million less than estimated available. For the week of 05-May-07 the estimated available is 164.6 million head.

WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS
(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEY	PROCESSED POULTRY
	LBS	LBS
AM 04/23/07	73,326	48,383
AM 04/01/07	69,750	47,359
CHG	3,576	1,024
PCT CHG	5	2

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT (IN THOUSANDS)

	PROCESSED TURKEYS			PROCESSED POULTRY		
	04/23/07	04/16/07	04/24/06	04/23/07	04/16/07	04/24/06
PACIFIC						
COAST	2,254	2,033	356	5,108	5,531	7,197
LOS ANGELES	88	78	62	1,510	1,544	3,186

CENTRAL MISCELLANEOUS POULTRY RTC HENS

READY-TO-COOK PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR DELIVERY TO FIRST RECEIVERS, U.S. GRADE A AND PLANT GRADE, 5 LBS. AND UP, FOR WEEK OF APRIL 23, 2007

		RANGE
HENS	ICE PACKED (12 PER BOX)	69-76
	VACUUM PACKED (6-9 PER BOX)	70-80

HACKETTSTOWN POULTRY SALES**FOR 04/24/07**

AI PAPERS REQUIRED TO SELL ALL OUT OF STATE POULTRY

	LOW	HIGH	AVG		LOW	HIGH	AVG
HEAVY FOWL lb.	-	-	-	HEAVY FOWL ea.	-	-	-
LIGHT FOWL lb.	-	-	-	LIGHT FOWL ea.	-	-	-
MIXED FOWL lb.	-	-	-	MIXED FOWL ea.	-	-	-
BANTAMS lb.	-	-	-	BANTAMS ea.	-	4.00	-
BROILERS lb.	-	1.05	-	BROILERS ea.	-	-	-
ROASTERS lb.	-	-	-	ROASTERS ea.	-	-	-
FRYERS lb.	-	-	-	FRYERS ea.	-	-	-
CHICKS lb.	-	-	-	CHICKS ea.	.25	1.40	-
PULLETS lb.	-	-	-	PULLETS ea.	-	-	-
BUNNIES lb.	-	-	-	BUNNIES ea.	-	8.00	-
ROOSTERS lb.	-	1.60	-	ROOSTERS ea.	-	3.00	-
GEESE lb.	-	-	-	GEESE ea.	-	-	-
TURKEYS lb.	-	-	-	TURKEYS ea.	-	-	-
DUCKS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
RABBITS lb.	1.05	2.10	1.70	RABBITS ea.	-	4.75	-
PIGEONS lb.	-	-	-	PIGEONS ea.	5.75	10.00	-
GUINEA FOWL lb.	-	-	-	GUINEA FOWL ea.	10.00	10.75	-
DUCKLINGS lb.	-	-	-	DUCKLINGS ea.	2.00	2.20	-
GUINEA KEETS ea.	-	-	-	CALL DUCKS ea.	-	-	-
SILKIES ea.	-	-	-	GOSLINGS ea.	-	-	-
GUINEA PIGS ea.	-	-	-	TURKEY POULTS ea.	-	-	-
CHUKARS ea.	-	-	-				
TOTAL COOPS	113						

MAJOR WHOLESALE MARKETS - MEXICO CITY

Cents per pound for the week ending April 20, 2007

	Whole	Legs	Necks,Backs	Livers	
	Chickens	Breasts	W/Thighs	& Wings	Gizzards Hens
RAYON					
Low	71.54	157.15	74.44	12.41	8.27 53.76
High	77.75	169.56	90.98	20.68	12.41 53.76
Mostly	76.09	165.42	86.85	16.54	12.41 53.76
SAN JUAN					
Low	71.13	161.28	78.57	16.54	12.41 57.90
High	78.57	165.42	95.12	20.68	16.54 57.90
Mostly	76.51	161.28	90.98	16.54	12.41 57.90
NEW SAN JUAN					
Low	72.37	161.28	78.57	16.54	8.27 57.90
High	80.23	173.69	95.12	20.68	16.54 57.90
Mostly	77.33	169.56	90.98	16.54	12.41 57.90
BECERRA					
Low	73.20	161.28	78.57	16.54	12.41 57.90
High	81.06	177.83	99.25	20.68	16.54 57.90
Mostly	76.92	173.69	90.98	20.68	12.41 57.90

DELMARVA

Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was light to fair for midweek business. Seller offerings were in better shape and reported as adequate to fully sufficient for immediate trade needs. Live supplies were moderate; weights were mixed, but noted as mostly desirable. Processor schedules were moderate to moderately heavy. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 73 to 86 cents. Trade sentiment was generally steady. In the parts complex, breasts were adequate to in good balance and wings were available. Dark meat items were adequate to instances short on thighs and drumsticks.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

**BRANDED
U.S. GRADE A**

RANGE
WEIGHTED AVERAGE
NO. OF BOXES

70-90
(A)
(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations.

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